Chief Secretary to Government.—

Not possible. The station is now situated in a central place.

Mr. A. Narayana Iyengar.—

Is it not better to locate the station in the more populous of the two places?

Chief Secretary to Government.—

Not necessarily. Crime may be more where people are less.

MR. H. B. GUNDAPPA (Hassan Taluk).—

Q.—30. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) The amount required for the construction of a dam across the Hemavati and Yegachi Rivers near Gorur?

(*b*) Has the survey for the whole scheme been completed?

(*c*) How many acres of land will be brought under cultivation?

(*d*) When will this work be undertaken?

(*e*) What is the return the whole scheme is expected to yield on the total capital investment?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, KRISHNARAJASAGARA WORKS.—

A.—30. (*a*) The project is not yet ready to make out the cost of the scheme.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) It is not yet definitely determined.

(*d*) It is not possible to say now.

(*e*) Does not arise in view of the replies given above.

MESSRS. B. P. BASAPPA SETTY and ALDUR RAMAPPA GOWDA (Chikmagalur Taluk).—

Q.—31. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What is the number of mutts and temples that come under muzrai establishments and what are they? (Information to be furnished districtwar.)

(*b*) To what temples and mutts the amount of Rs. 1,30,000 allotted for muzrai establishment for the year 1933-34 has been given? To what mutts the amount of Rs. 60,000 has been distributed for repairs?

(*c*) To what mutts the amount of Rs. 60,000 allotted every year in the budget during the past three years has been distributed for the purpose of repairs?

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—31. (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) The total number of institutions under the control of the Muzrai Department is 13,409 as per Administration Report for 1931-32. Further details are contained in Cash Grant Registers, all of which are printed. No grant is made to mutts for repairs.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. B. P. Basappa Setty.—

Why are the details of expenditure of Rs. 1,30,000 not furnished in the answer? Was it not possible to furnish details?

Second Member of Council.—

There are about 13,000 institutions and each district has a big register of its own, and the Mysore District particularly has two volumes. It is not possible to print and supply all those details in answer to an interpellation. The member can have a look into the registers if he could make it convenient to call at the Muzrai Commissioner's Office.

Mr. B. P. Basappa Setty.—

What are the mutts on which the amount of Rs. 60,000 is proposed to be spent for repairs?

Second Member of Council.—

We do not give a pie for repairs.

Mr. B. P. Basappa Setty.—

Then what is it for?

Second Member of Council.—

The items on which the amount may be spent are many. The list will be shown to you when you may call at the Muzrai Commissioner's Office.

Mr. B. P. Basappa Setty.—

My object is to find out if mutts and temples belonging to one particular community are getting the benefit of this entire amount.

Second Member of Council.—

There is no basis for such a misapprehension. The number of institutions helped is increasing from year to year and even last year, Government sanctioned certain sums to a mutt that does not belong to the community which the member obviously has in view.

Mr. B. P. Basappa Setty.—

Why should one community enjoy the benefit of at least the bulk of this amount?

Second Member of Council.—

It cannot be helped. They are very ancient grants. At the time of the survey settlement, Government examined every one of the cases concerned and confirmed them in respect of those institutions which are now on the list.

Mr. B. P. Basappa Setty.—

Will Government examine the question of giving grants to some more mutts?

Second Member of Council.—

If any new mutt applies for the grant, the matter will be considered. We are sanctioning grants to all classes of mutts.

Mr. M. Subbaiya.—

You say that no grants are given for repairs of temples. Then how are they to be repaired?

Second Member of Council.—

While sanctioning scales of income and expenditure for the different institutions, a certain percentage has been reserved for repairs. From that, the repairs have to be carried out.

Mr. M. Subbaiya.—

That gives too small an amount. Some important temples are in utter disrepair.

Second Member of Council.—

Special grants are given in such deserving cases.

Mr. M. Subbaiya.—

If so, why is the question of repairing the *gopuram* of the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Seringapatam pending for many years for want of funds?

Second Member of Council.—

The matter may be mentioned to the Muzrai Commissioner.

Capt. Y. V. Ayya.—

Has it come to the notice of the Government that in the case of a certain mutt, the Head is no more and no successor has been appointed for a long time past either by the Government or by the disciples?

Second Member of Council.—

If full information is furnished, we will enquire into the matter.

Mr. P. Murugesam Pillay.—

Are all the grants to mutts and temples given out of the general revenues of the State, or from collections from any special tax?

Second Member of Council.—

That is not a supplementary question.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution No. 1.

Mr. B. L. Byanna moved the following resolution:—

"This Assembly recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja that a mixed committee with a non-official majority for each district be immediately constituted for the purpose of making an open enquiry into the economic condition of the people in the State in respect of income per head of population, incidence of taxation, the condition of indebtedness and to determine their ability to bear the present enhanced taxation and to suggest necessary remedial measures to be adopted with a view to the economic uplift of the people at large."